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SUBJ: PRESENTATION OF OPIC DUPLICATE "D" AWARD

REFS: A(A) STATE 265189 (B) TEHRAN 10808

1. AMBASSADOR HELMS PRESENTED OPIC DUPLICATE "D" AWARD TO DR. JAMSHID ASHRAFI, UNDER SECRETARY FOR INVESTMENT AND FOREIGN AID, MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND FINANCE, AT A BRIEF CEREMONY BEFORE LUNCH AT THE EMBASSY RESIDENCE ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23. AWARD WAS ACCOMPANIED BY FRAMED COPY OF CITATION.

2. USIS PHOTOGRAPHER TOOK PICTURES AND USIS PRESS RELEASE WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL BY DR. ASHRAFI. PRINTS OF PHOTOS (HIS SPECIF AND EARLIER SHOTS REQUESTED FROM AGWA FOOD FAIR SITE) WILL BE FORWARDED TO OPIC AS SOON AS AVAILABLE. WILL CABLE DATE PRESS RELEASE ISSUED.

3. SMALL PLAQUE WITH BLACK PRINT (SUBSTITUTE WHITE-PRINT PLAQUE WAS INSERTED IN AWARD) AND FRAMED COPY OF CITATION BEING GIVEN TO FRANK FISHER OF PAK DAIRIES.

4. COMMENT: REPEATED REQUESTS TO MINISTRY FOR DESIGNATION OF PARTICIPANTS AND CONVENIENT TIME AND PLACE, ELICITED NO RESPONSE. IN ORDER TO GET AWARD
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INTO HANDS OF GOVERNMENT, NUMBER OF GUESTS WERE

INVITED TO LUNCHEON AND INFORMED OF DESIRE TO USE THIS
OCCASION FOR PRESENTATION. HIGHEST-RANKING ACCEPTANCE
CAME FROM DR. ASHRAFI.

5. DELAY CAN PERHAPS BE ATTRIBUTED TO PENDING DECISION
ON APPROPRIATE CLASSIFICATION FOR PAK DAIRIES UNDER NEW
EQUITY PARTICIPATION RULES BEING FORMULATED. TENTATIVE
GUIDELINES SET 15 PERCENT LIMIT FOR FOOD PROCESSING VENTURES
AND 25 PERCENT FOR AGRIBUSINESS VENTURES. PAK DAIRIES APPEALED
ITS INITIAL CLASSIFICATION IN 15 PERCENT CATEGORY. APPEAL HAS
BEEN UNDER CONSIDERATION AND FRANK FISHER INFORMED
COMMERCIAL ATTACHE A FEW DAYS AGO THAT CASE HAD BEEN
RESOLVED IN FAVOR OF 25 PERCENT CATEGORY CLASSIFICATION.
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